

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 19, 2013

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

#### Senate

*Committee on Armed Services:* to hold hearings to examine U.S. European Command, U.S. Northern Command, and U.S. Southern Command in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2014 and the Future Years Defense Program; with the possibility of a closed session in SVC-217 following the open session, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, to receive a briefing on cybersecurity threats in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2014 and the Future Years Defense Program; to be immediately followed by a closed briefing in SVC-217, 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* business meeting to consider the nominations of Richard Cordray, of Ohio, to be Director, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, and Mary Jo White, of New York, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine bipartisan solutions for housing finance reform, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance and Investment, to hold hearings to examine streamlining regulation, improving consumer protection and increasing competition in insurance markets, 3 p.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard, to hold hearings to examine developments and opportunities in United States fisheries management, 10:30 a.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* to hold hearings to examine the options and challenges related to possible reauthorization and reform of two payment programs for local governments, focusing on the recently expired "Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act" and the "Payment in Lieu of Taxes", 10 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Finance:* to hold hearings to examine the President's 2013 trade agenda, 10:30 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South and Central Asian Affairs, to hold hearings to examine Syria's humanitarian crisis, 10 a.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* to hold hearings to examine keeping savings in the retirement system, 2:30 p.m., SD-430.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Gregory Alan Phillips, of Wyoming, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Tenth Circuit, and Karol Virginia Mason, of Georgia, to be an Assistant

Attorney General, Department of Justice, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights, to hold hearings to examine the American Airlines/US Airways merger, focusing on consolidation, competition, and consumers, 10 a.m., SD-226.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

#### House

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, hearing on Department of Energy, Environmental Management, 10 a.m., 2362-B Rayburn.

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, hearing on Fiscal Year 2014 Budget Request for the U.S. House of Representatives Officers, 9:30 a.m., HT-2 Capitol.

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, hearing on General Services Administration Oversight, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, hearing on Top Management Challenges at the Department of Labor, Health and Human Services and Education: Perspective from the Inspector Generals, 10 a.m., 2358-C Rayburn.

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice and Science, and Related Agencies, hearing on National Science Foundation Budget; and Youth Violence Research, 10 a.m., H-309 Capitol.

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on State and Foreign Operation, and Related Programs, hearing for public and outside witnesses, 12:30 p.m., 2362-A Rayburn.

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Interior, hearing on Indian Health Oversight, 1:30 p.m., B-308 Rayburn.

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, hearing on Quality of Life in the Military, 2 p.m., H-140 Capitol.

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice and Science, and Related Agencies, hearing on Federal Bureau of Investigation Budget, 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Tactical Air and Land Forces, hearing on Equipping, Modernizing, and Sustaining the National Guard and Reserve Components as an Operational Force in a time of Budget Uncertainty, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, hearing on the U.S. Nuclear Deterrent: What Are the Requirements for A Strong Deterrent in an Era of Defense Sequester?, 3:30 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Energy and Power, hearing entitled "American Energy Security and Innovation: The Role of Regulators and Grid Operators in Meeting Natural Gas and Electric Coordination Challenges", 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Communications and Technology, hearing entitled “Health Information Technologies: Harnessing Wireless Innovation”, 10:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services:* Full Committee, hearing entitled “Sustainable Housing Finance: An Update from the Federal Housing Finance Agency on the GSE Conservatorships”, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on Middle East and North Africa; and Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, joint subcommittee hearing entitled “After the Withdrawal: The Way Forward in Afghanistan and Pakistan” (Part I), 1 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications, hearing entitled “Homeland Security Grants: Measuring Our Investments”, 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Management Efficiency, hearing entitled “DHS Information Technology: How Effectively Has DHS Harnessed IT to Secure Our Borders and Uphold Immigration Laws?”, 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security and Investigation, hearing entitled “The Electronic Communications Privacy Act, Part 1”, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Full Committee, hearing entitled “The Release of Criminal Detainees by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement: Policy or Politics?”, 1 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Public Lands and Environment Regulations, hearing on H.R. 1126, to facilitate the completion of an appropriate national memorial to Dwight D. Eisenhower, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Indian and Alaska Native Affairs, hearing entitled “Authorization, standards, and procedures for whether, how, and when Indian tribes should be newly recognized by the federal government: Perspective of the Department of the Interior”, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Full Committee, hearing entitled “DOD and DHS: Implementing Agency Watchdogs’ Recommendations Could Save Taxpayers Billions”, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Economic Growth, Job Creation and Regulatory Affairs and the Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, U.S. Postal Service and the Census joint subcommittee hearing entitled, “Sequestration Oversight: Understanding the Administration’s Decisions on Spending Cuts and Furloughs”, 1:30 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Energy Policy, Health Care and Entitlements entitled “The Department of Energy’s Strategy for Exporting Liquefied Natural Gas”, 3 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology:* Full Committee, hearing entitled “Threats from Space: A Review of U.S. Government Efforts to Track and Mitigate Asteroids and Meteors, Part 1”, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business:* Subcommittee on Contracting and Workforce; and Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, joint subcommittee hearing entitled “Consistently Inconsistent: Challenges for Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Businesses” 2 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs:* Subcommittee on Investigations and the Small Business Subcommittee on Contracting and Workforce, hearing entitled “Consistently Inconsistent: Challenges for Service-Owned Small Businesses”, 2 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Full Committee, hearing entitled “Tax Reform and Tax Provisions Affecting State and Local Governments”, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

### Joint Meetings

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe:* to hold hearings to examine the trajectory of democracy in Hungary, focusing on Hungary’s constitutional changes with a particular view to the independence of the judiciary, present-day Hungary’s relationship to its Holocaust-era past, and the implications of Hungary’s sweeping legal changes for civil society, including an independent media and religious organizations, 3 p.m., SVC-210.

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## CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of March 19 through March 22, 2013

### Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 933, Department of Defense, Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Full-Year Continuing Appropriations Act.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

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